**San Antonio**, **Texas** – Congressman Charlie Gonzalez issued the following statement in support of President Obama's plan for economic growth and deficit reduction:

"Today, the President laid out a bold plan to bring fairness and balance back to our Nation's tax code, paving the way for the job creation and economic growth that will reduce our deficit. By eliminating the deficit-busting tax loopholes that put an unfair burden on working families and seniors, we can begin getting our economy back on track.

"Our country cannot achieve economic prosperity through spending cuts alone, and I am glad that the President shares my passion for investing in education and infrastructure. These investments are vital to strengthening America's middle class families and making us more competitive in the global economy.

"The way to jump start our economy is to rebuild and invest in working Americans. I urge my colleagues to take a reasonable, expeditious, and responsible approach to the President's proposals. We must make every effort to get Americans back to work."

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